of land for developmental activities such as settlements, social utilities, mining and

industrial activites etc ..

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Irrigation Potential created in Madhya Pradesh

789. SHRI RADHAJCISHAN MALA. VIYA: Will the. ' Minister of WATER RE SOURCES bo pleased to state:

(a) what is the total cultivable Qrea; in Madhya): Pradesh visa a vis other States and the irrigation potential created. by the end of Seventh Five Year Plan period; '.

(b) when will it be possible for Madhya Pradesh to fully utilise its irrigation potential created and (what are the reason$_s$ for -its slow utilisation; and

(c) whether Government are considering to provide extra plan assistance *tai*-such backward State so as to develop their untapped irrigation potential along-with the other developed States?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESO-URCES <SHRI B. SHANKARANAND)": (a) As "per Land Use Statistics for 1983-84 the total cultivable trea in Madhya Pradesh is 22. 8 *m.* ha. against me coun-. trys cultivable area of 184. 53 m. ha. The irrigation potential created in Madhya Pradesh by the end of Sixth Plan was 3. 81 maha. and an additional potential of 1 08 m. ha. if targeted for Seventh Plan.

(b) and (c) Irrigation projects are plapned, funded and implemented by the State Governments and the Central assistanceisgiven in the form of block grants -. and loans the time by which the State Government would be in a position to utilise its full potential depends upon the priority it accords to the/development of water resources. The reasons'for slow progress include late start in irrigation development and constraint of financial resources. '

Payment of; OTA and medical reimburse-inert by the Modern food Industry

790. SHRI V1RENDRA VERMA: Will the Minister Off FOOD AND CIVIL SUP PLIES be pleased to state;

(a) what is the Amount of medical 're-imbursement and Overtime Allowance paid to the staff by the Modern Food Industry Ltd. during the years 1984, 1985 and 1986 year-wise and what is the percentage of rise on each of these payments;

(b) whether Government have made any critical review to know the genuine ness or otherwise of the medical reimbur sement claims, if so, what is the outcome thereof statng the, action taken by Gov ernment against'those found indulging in malpractices in claiming medical reimbur sement and also to ensure a. check on re currence of such malpractices- and

(c) what measures have been taken by Government to minimise the expenditure on Overtime Allowance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVTL SUPPLIES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) The amount paid by Moder* Food Industries (India) Limited to its em. ployees as reimbursement of medical charges and overtime allowance during 1984-85, 1985-86 and 1986-87 is given below: —

at Rupees in Lakhs)

Year	Medical Reimtfurse-rnent*	Overtime Allowanc
1984-85	4-92	31-29
1985-86	2-71	. 31-12
1986-87 (estimated)	3-28	32-70

The expenditure on medical reimbursement i$_n$ 1985-86 declined by 44. 9 per cent when compared to that in 1984-85; $_s$ thereafter It increased by 21. 03 per cent in 1986-87 when compared to that in 1985-86. The expenditure on overtime allowance, declined by 0. 5 per cent in 1985-86 when compared to that in J984-85; thereafter it increasla by 5. 07 per cent in 1986-87 when compared to 1985-86..

(b) and, (c) Control on expenditure on medical reimbursement and overtime allowance is a continuing feercfee. The

Company exercises'strat control on reimbursement of medical claims submitted by its employees. No case of malpractice on this account has come to notice. As regards overtime allowance, the Company' has taken the following steps.

(i) Planning disposal of work in a manner thai reduces need to employ • staff, on payment of overtime allowance to minimum;

(ii) deploying minimum staff on pay- ment of overtime allowance where such, deployment is inescapable;

(iii)wstaggering working home whenever possible, keeping in view operational requirement; and

(iv) controlling expenditure on over- time allowance through periodic. re viewS.

The Company has been advised to re view We position further.

Outstanding liability of ASIAD flats in Delhi -

79*1. SHRI SHARAD YADAV: Will the kinister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT, fie pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that DDA auc tioned Asiad flats carrying an uncleared liability. amounting to lakhs of rupees to wards property taxes, without informing the buyers through sale advertisements or otherwise and that the buyers are now facing great difficulty on account of unliquidated taxes against the flats;

(b) if so, what is the total amount of tax liability against thejlats sold "by DDA . aiM. against those which are yet_4o be sold;

(c) what are the reasons for not giving a clear picture "about the-tax liability'to the prospective buyers before selling "the flats to. them; and

(d) what action has been taken by Government for deliberately keeping the buyers in the dark, about the unliquidated property tax by the-DDA and. whether any relief is proposed to be given to the buyers on this account?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (c). D. D'. A. has reported that before the auction of-the Asiad flats on 26-3-87 it was announced in the auction ball that the, allottee is liable Xo pay the Property tax to M. C. D. from the date the possession is given t_0 him.

(b) M. C. D. has yet to determine the liability of property, tax in the case of individual allottees of flats sold as ' also *fret* to be sold.

(d) Does not arise..

Tehigu Ganga Project

792. SHRI MUKHTTAR SINGH MALIK:
SHRIMATI RENUKA' CHOWDHURY; ' '

Will the Minister of WATER. RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the work on the Talugu Ganga has not been going on as per schedule due to non releasing of iiuudg for the projects "by the Tamil Nadu Government for its share of Rs. 200 owes; and

(b) whether Central Government propose to approach the Tamil Nadu Government for timely release of funds for the completion of the project an^ if not, -* the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SSHRI B. SHANKARANAND):. (a) The project is* not being monitored by the Centre.

(b) Does not arise. Starvation deaths in drought prone areas

793. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK
SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether. there has" been serious drought conditions pravailing the Sta-